

THE CHAMPION

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tively in Advance.

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We are greatly disappointed that our County Commissioners declined to make an appropriation for an exhibit to the State Fair. We think they have made a mistake.

A sentiment seems to prevail that the trouble in Cuba is not over in spite of intervention and that our troops will be a fixture for some time there, a necessity to secure a stable government. What is now most feared arises from the condition of a greater population of the black race and the fear among the white people of their political dominance.

It has been somewhat mystifying to the general public, the stand the heavy land owners in the Everglades have taken lately in reference to draining their lands. Formerly (or before Governor Broward was elected) it was their pet scheme to have these lands drained. Now they are fighting drainage. It was Senator Humphries, of Bradentown, who opened our eyes to the true animus of their opposition. It is that little five or ten cents per acre drainage tax that hurts their feelings. While this small sum will not amount to much to the man who owns only ten or 160 acres, it will mount into the thousands where owners of hundreds of thousand acres are concerned. But can they get it drained for less? Certainly. Their scheme is to defeat Governor Broward's drainage amendment and then have the legislature pass a bill authorizing the State to drain the Everglades. The large land companies pay proportionately the smallest tax of anybody and if the taxes they do pay are converted into a fund to help drain their land don't you see how they will be ahead? They will also have the help of every taxpayer in the State while Governor Broward asks only those who have lands to be drained to pay. See the point? It was Senator Humphries who said in a speech at Ft. Myers, that he opposed the governor's plan but was in favor of asking an appropriation from the legislature of \$100,000.00 for drainage purposes. Nice scheme to make the whole people drain the rich corporations land isn't it? But we thought better of Brother Humphries than to suppose he could lend himself to such fleecing of the masses for the benefit of the few. For it is well known that the corporations will receive the greater share of the benefits to be derived from drainage. This we cannot avoid, nor shall we neglect to help those who like our Lee County friends are in sore need of drainage on account of the good others not so needy will acquire. By all means vote for the drainage amendment.

Our Railroad.

The weekly average of two wrecks on the Charlotte Harbor Division of the A. C. L. Ry. did rather more than usual damage this last week, four train men being laid up as a consequence, and two cars of fish perishing in the air at Torrey, where the Monday wreck took place.

An engine disabled, a number of cars made into kindling wood, traffic delayed and the engineer

seriously injured to the record for Torrey.

There is no use trying to keep this sort of accidents quiet, for the public are now so generally informed as to the danger of railroad travel in this section that only those who are positively obliged will take such chances as the present system of travel offers.

The cities of Bartow and Ft. Myers through their respective Boards of Trade, are agitating the matter of better railroad equipment and every city or town on the A. C. L. in this section should fall in line to demand safety of merchandise and life handled over this road.

It would look at first thought as if the railroad company could not afford these frequent wrecks from a pecuniary standpoint, as the damage to their rolling stock and engines must be tremendous, but if it is true, as we are informed, that the rolling stock used here is so old and worn out as to have been discarded elsewhere and only put in South Florida to get the last particle of use possible, then a smash up is not a loss really, but a getting rid of trash that was a burden.

What are you going to do about it? We frankly acknowledge that we do not know, but it certainly is time our people got together and formulated some plan that will better conditions before the heavy shipments of fruit and tourists begin.

The White Fly.

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subject to attack by several fungous diseases, which may be of occasional value in preventing its under multiplication.

Hydrocyanic-acid gas treatment requires considerable outlay, the tree must be covered with a tent to confine the gas and the tent left in position from fifteen minutes to one hour. Will furnish formula for preparation or for kerosene and rosin wash if wished.

The U. S. Agricultural Department publishes a pamphlet on insecticides that can be had by writing for it.

C. S. BUSHNELL.

Dr. G. W. Wood, of Live Oak, Fla., who has been visiting his friend, T. E. Fielder, of Gardner for some weeks, has decided to locate at Punta Gorda. The Doctor is a genial gentleman of culture, and we congratulate our neighboring city on acquiring him as a citizen.

For Sale.

One hundred bearing tangerine trees. Want to move them out of grove on or before Jan. 1st. F. S. Gore:

All kinds of Seed Bean Seed at Gore & Scott's.

Its a business proposition. Subscribe for THE CHAMPION.

P. R. Read and family have moved into the Dishong cottage on Hickory street this week.

Mr Van Sickle has given up the laundry after one month's lease. He thinks of accepting a call to preach in Charleston, S. C. and himself and wife will shortly leave for Atlanta and other points including Savannah and Charleston. They leave today (Thursday) for Winter Park.

Starving to Death.

Because her stomach was so weakened by useless drugging that she could not eat, Mrs. Mary H. Walters, of St. Clair St., Columbus, O., was literally starving to death. She writes: "My stomach was so weak from useless drugs that I could not eat, and my nerves so wrecked that I could not sleep; and not before I was given up to die was I induced to try Electric Bitters; with the wonderful result that improvement began at once, and a complete cure followed." Best health tonic on earth. 50c. Guaranteed by Ed Greene druggist.

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Corner Drug Store

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When you want Drug Store Items, Sick Room Supplies or Patent Medicines, Stationery, School Books, Sachet Powders, Soaps, Chamois Skins, Sponges, Perfumes, Cigars, Tobaccos, Etc., Etc., don't forget to buy them at the "New Corner Drug Store."

Ring us up at any time and do your shopping by 'phone.

We will call for your perscription and deliver the medicines promptly.

Telephone No. 17

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Arcadia, Florida

Beautiful Women.

Plump cheeks, flushed with the soft glow of health and a pure complexion, make all women beautiful. Take a small dose of Herbine after each meal; it will prevent constipation and help digest what you have eaten. Mrs. Wm. M. Stroud, Midlothian, Tex. writes, May 31, 1901:

"We have used Herbine in our family for eight years, and found it the best medicine we ever used for constipation, bilious fever and malaria." Sold by Ed Greene.

For Sale.

Eighty acres. Will sell in 10 acre tracts. Location, 3 miles from Arcadia being the beautiful tract lying east of C. Y. Crawford's and south of and adjoining Mrs. Gates' place.

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VERNON CLYATT.

Well Worth Trying.

W. H. Brown, the popular pension attorney, of Pittsfield, Vt., says: "Next to a pension, the best thing to get is Dr. King's New Life Pills." He writes: "they keep my family in splendid health." Quick cure for Headache, Constipation and Biliousness. 25c. Guaranteed at Ed Greene's drug store.

NEW DOMESTIC
SEWING MACHINES

\$17.50

ARCADIA GUNSMITH

The CURING rooms at the Arcadia Electric Light Ice and Telephone Company plant open October 10th to receive meat. 196 different lots of meat were cured there last season aggregating about 30,000 lbs. Only four lots had any meat to spoil.

Kill your hog in the afternoon, let it cool out over night, cut up and ship to us in the morning. We will add salt, if necessary, at one cent per pound and will store the meat 30 days at one cent per pound if the meat is large it should stay 30 days additional for which we charge an additional one-half cent.

Storage rooms close April 1st.

THE

PROPOSITION

We are making to you is worth consideration. We propose to furnish you desirable goods cheaper FOR CASH than you have been securing them

10,000 yards of yellow Home-spun, 40 in. wide, regular 7½c a yard, our price..... 5½	100 pairs 2.50 and \$3 trousers to go at..... 2 0
Fruit of the Loom a yard,..... 9	75 pairs 3.50 and \$4 trousers at..... 2 9
Lonsdale Cambric.....12½	Men's and Boy's Suits to go at same Reduced Prices.
Persian Lawn, 25c quality,.....17½	10 pieces Outing Flannels, fancy colors, regular 15c quality now..... 11
Towling, regular 6c quality our price 4½	25 pieces fancy worsted dress goods, were 15, 17, 19c, all to go at this sale at.....
11 quarters sheeting, regular 39c quality, our price..... 27	15 pieces Outing Flannels, dark colors, gray, stripes and checks, regular 12½c quality to go at.....
42 inch wide lawn, regular 19c quality, now.....13½	A complete line of Ladies and Gents Furnishings to go at same reduced prices.
200 pairs ladies' \$2 shoes at...\$1 39	
Men's patent leather shoes, \$3.50 and \$4 qual to go at...2 98	
50 pairs of men's trousers, 1.50 and \$2 values go at.....1 25	

REMEMBER THIS SALE WILL LAST TEN DAYS

ONLY, beginning SATURDAY, OCTOBER SIXTH and continuing until the 16th. Come early and secure your bargains as everything will go rapidly.

The New Popular Bargain Store of

M. KANNER & CO.

Daniel's Building, Arcadia.

W. F. ESPENLAUB'S MEAT MARKET

Is now at home in the new Stone Building and is ready for business. They have everything new up to-date and just as fine as you will find in Florida.

A Cordial Invitation to call is given to all. Espenlaub's Meat Market, 'Phone No. 1